

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
(Docket No. 08-1456-US)**

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| In re Application of: |) | |
| |) | Group Art Unit: 2141 |
| Wentink, Menzo |) | |
| |) | Examiner: Taylor, Nicholas R. |
| Serial No.: 10/689,018 |) | |
| |) | Confirmation No.: 4108 |
| Filed: October 20, 2003 |) | |
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| For: TECHNIQUE FOR OPTIMIZING |) | |
| BACKOFF FOR A SHARED |) | |
| RESOURCE |) | |
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Commissioner for Patents
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AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING RCE

Dear Sir:

The Applicant submits the following amendments and remarks in response to the Final Office Action mailed November 10, 2009 in connection with the above-identified application. The Office is authorized to deduct any fee associated with filing of this paper or any other paper in the application from Deposit Account No: 13-2490.

Amendments to the Claims begin on **page 2**.

Remarks begin on **page 10**.